अन्यथा के मामले के लिये सरकार द्वारा गठित की गयी एक विशेषज्ञ समिति द्वारा विचार किया जा रहा है। विशेषज्ञ समिति की रिपोर्ट सरकार ने प्राप्त कर ली है और वह उसके विचाराधीन है।

(ख) जी, हां।

(ग) और (घ) जी, हां।

(ङ) प्रश्न के भाग (क) के उत्तर में संदर्भित विशेषज्ञ समिति की रिपोर्ट की जांच के बाद, सरकार आवश्यक कदम उठायेगी।

Availability of pulses

2294. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the per capita availability of pulses in India and how it compares with the developing and developed countries of the world;

(b) whether it is a fact that the per capita availability of pulses has declined; and

(c) if so, the steps Government have taken to increase the production during Sixth and Seventh Plan together with targets set and achievement during the respective Plan periods.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) The per capita availability of pulses was 15.4 kg. in India which compares well with that of 9.3 kg. in developing countries and 17.1 kg. in developed countries in 1989.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The targets set and achievements during the terminal years of Sixth and Seventh Plan are as under:

(Million Tonnes)

Plan Period	Target	Achievements
Sixth Plan (1984-85)	14·5	11·96
Seventh Plan (1989-90)	14·75	12·61

To increase the production of pulses during the VI Plan, Centrally Sponsored Intensive Pulses Development Scheme and in the VII Plan National Pulses Development Programme and Special Foodgrains Production Programme (SFPP)—Pulses were implemented to support the efforts of the State Governments. Financial support on various critical inputs and support services were provided under these programmes.

Growth rate of Kharif and Rabi Foodgrains

2295. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what was the average annual growth rate of Kharif and Rabi crops during the Sixth and Seventh Plan Period; and

(b) what specific steps are being taken to further accelerate the production of Kharif and Rabi foodgrains during the Eighth Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) The compound growth rates of Kharif and Rabi foodgrains during the Sixth and Seventh Plan Periods are as under:—

Compound growth rates
(Percent per annum)

	Assumed base year	Kharif	Rabi
VI Plan	1979-80	5·08	6·05
VII Plan	1984-85	3·37	3·25

(b) Various steps being taken to further accelerate the production of Kharif and Rabi foodgrains during the Eighth Five Year Plan include:

(i) special thrust in irrigated areas;

(ii) adoption of integrated agriculture of mixed farming covering food crops, cash crops, fodder, vegetables, forestry etc.;

(iii) in the case of foodgrains production package of advanced technology, quality seeds, efficient water use, machinery and other agricultural inputs and efficient extension support would be adopted;

(iv) implementation of export based programme particularly covering durum wheat in important growing States. Similar thrust would be given to produce suitable varieties of rice for export purposes;

(v) integrated plant protection measures.

Appraisal of Dryland farming

2296. SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any appraisal of the success achieved dry-land and farming has been made in the form of crop yield;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what steps Government are contemplating to increase the per hectare yield of the dryland crops in a time-frame of 5 to 10 years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) and (b) The Government have adopted Watershed Development Approach as National strategy for improving production and productivity in rainfed areas. An appraisal of 46 model watersheds located in 16 states under different agroclimatic zones was completed in July 1990. The Committee found that 'the yield nearly increased 2-3 times and cropping intensity increased from 50 to 70 per cent.

(c) National Watershed Development Project for Rainfed Areas, Multinational Integrated Watershed Development Projects and Bilateral Watershed Development Project are being operated for increasing the yield of important dryland crops, diversifying the production system for improving the income levels of farmers and reinforcing the natural resources base of land and water.

भूकम्प पीड़ितों के पुनर्वास हेतु उत्तर प्रदेश को वित्तीय सहायता

2297. **श्री अनन्त राम जायसवाल :** क्या मंत्री कृषि यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि ;

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सरकार को उत्तर प्रदेश सरकार से उस राज्य में हाल में आये भूकम्प से पीड़ित व्यक्तियों के पुनर्वास के लिये 300 करोड़ रूपये की वित्तीय सहायता प्रदान किये जाने का अनरोध प्राप्त हुआ है !

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या उस अनुरोध मान लिया गया है ; और